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- 1. MARCH 3 DCM DELIVERED DIPLOMATIC NOTES AND DEMARCHES BASED ON CONTENTS REFTELS A-C TO DEPUTY CHIEF PROTOCOL FRANCIS NKWEN. NKWEN SAID GURC WOULD GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION THESE MATTERS AND WOULD RESPOND.
- 2. ON RECEIPT OF NOTE CONTAINING HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTING TO CONGRESS (REFTEL D), HE OBSERVED THAT GURC WAS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS, PARTICULARLY AS TO WHAT IS GOING ON EQUATORIAL GUINEA AND UGANDA.
- 3. NKWEN VOLUNTEERED THAT GURC IS CALLING BACK ALL AMBASSADORS FOR A GENERAL MEETING ON GURC FOREIGN POLICY ON OR ABOUT MARCH 20. AMBASSADOR TO US BINDZI HAD RETURNED TO POST BUT WOULD BE IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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YAOUNDE FOR CONFERENCE. NKWEN OBSERVED GURC HAD DONE THIS ONCE PREVIOUSLY AND HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR ALL AMBASSADORS TO GET TOGETHER WITH EACH OTHER AND FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS IN ORDER ASSESS COMMON PROBLEMS AND DETERMINE FUTURE COURSES OF ACTION.

4. PRIOR TO NKWEN APPOINTMENT, DCM ACCOMPANIED FORMER

AMBASSADOR HOFFACKER (HERE IN CONNECTION WITH SHELL VISIT BEING REPORTED SEPARATELY) IN CALLS ON HIS OLD FRIENDS SECRETARY GENERAL JOSEPH OWONO NKOUDOU (FORMER AMBASSADOR TO US) AND PROTCOL CHIEF GABRIEL HAPI TINA. BOTH COMMENTED FAVORABLY ON CAMEROONIAN-US RELATIONS AND NOTED THAT THEY BELIEVED US BECOMING MORE RESPONSIVE GURC REQUIREMENTS IN DEVELOPMENT (TRANSCAM III), INVESTMENT (SHELL-PECTIN) AND OTHER NEEDS (SECURITY ASSISTANCE). THEY CONFIDED THAT THEY REALLY SAW NO CURRENT PROBLEMS AND THOUGH RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WERE BECOMING CLOSER ALL THE TIME. NKWEN ECHOED THESE SENTIMENTS IN COMMENTING ON DIPLOMATIC NOTES WHICH HE RECEIVED.

5. SINCE AMBASSADOR HAD ALREADY INFORMED PRESIDENCY SECRETARY GENERAL EBOUA, ALL THREE WERE INFORMED OF ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION OF \$5 MILLION FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE, BUT AFTER THEY HAD MADE THEIR REMARKS. SPIRO

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